

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Yoshikazu TANAKA et al.)	Confirmation No.: 4016
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Application No.: 10/583,110)	Group Art Unit: 1638
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Filed: June 15, 2006)	Examiner: Baum, Stuart F.
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For: METHOD FOR PRODUCING YELLOW)	
FLOWER BY CONTROLLING)	
FLAVONOID SYNTHETIC PATHWAY)	

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COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

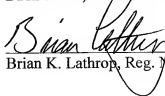
Sir:

An Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance accompanied the Notice of Allowability recently issued in connection with the above-identified application.

Applicants respectfully traverse the Examiner's statement because it does not accurately reflect the claim language in any one claim. Applicants respectfully assert that each and every claim independently distinguishes over the cited references on their own merits, as delineated in the features of said claims.

Respectfully submitted,

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